THE CROWNS OF JESUS

Text: John 19:1-2

Introduction: This is a most interesting study, for there are three places

in the Holy Scripture where the Lord Jesus is said to be crowned.

1. We find in John 19:2 that Jesus of Nazareth was crowned with thorns.

2. Hebrews 2:9 reveals that Christ is now crowned in heaven.

3. The last picture is described in Revelation 19:12, where the apostle

John declares: "And on his head were many crowns."

I. JESUS - CROWNED WITH THORNS

"And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put it on His head, and

they put on Him a purple robe, and said, Hail, King of the Jews." He

took not the emblem of sin, but the sin itself, and made it to rest upon

the head of His beloved Son. "The Lord hath laid on him the iniquity

of us all." Therein lies the secret of man's happiness.

II. JESUS - CROWNED WITH GLORY AND HONOR

"But now we see not yet all things put under him. But we see Jesus,

who was made a little lower than the angels. . . crowned with glory and

honor." The epistle to the Hebrews teaches that Christ ever liveth to

make intercession for us, and we may draw near in full assurance of faith

and find grace to help us in time of need. If the reconciliation accomplished

at the cross brings happiness, the intercession at God's right hand brings

help to all who believe.

III. JESUS - CROWNED WITH MANY CROWNS

"And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse: and he that sat

upon him was called Faithful and True. . . His eyes were as a flame of

fire, and on his head were many crowns... And he was clothed with

a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God

... And he had on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING

OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORD." The Christ of the future transcends

all else, and every true Christian exclaims, "Even so, come, Lord Jesus."